

LETTER
FROM
THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL,
ASKING
An additional appropriation for certain purposes.

FEBRUARY 3, 1886.—Referred to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE,
Washington, February 2, 1886.

SIR: The expenses of the appropriations for jurors and witnesses for the current fiscal year (1886) have been so great, that there was available for jurors on the close of Saturday, January 30, 1886, \$60,209.60, and for witnesses \$4,030.30.

The Department needs, for the remainder of this fiscal year, an appropriation of \$50,000 for jurors, and \$135,000 for witnesses.

At a corresponding period of the last fiscal year, Congress appropriated \$50,000 for jurors, and \$100,000 for witnesses.

The expenses of witnesses, however, for the current fiscal year, have been so much larger that an additional appropriation of \$135,000 ought to be made.

The condition of the current appropriation for witnesses appeals forcibly to Congress for an early appropriation, because the \$4,030.30 this day available will be soon exhausted.

Estimates of deficiencies are usually presented through the Secretary of the Treasury, but the urgent need of an immediate appropriation is the cause of this application in anticipation of his action.

Very respectfully,

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Attorney-General.

THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE.

